

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
OFFICE OF THE CLERK

January 24, 1999

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To: All Attorneys practicing before the Court

From: Bill Blevins, Chief Deputy Clerk

RE: Announcement of Electronic Case Filing Seminars for the Bar and their Staff

I. INTRODUCTION

For over a year, the Alexandria Division has been participating in a Pilot Electronic Case Filing (ECF) Program sponsored by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. This program has been well received and we are planning to expand the ability to use it to the other divisions during the summer of this year. It is anticipated that an ECF based system will eventually replace our current case management program. When that happens, attorneys will then be required to file petitions, pleadings, and most other documents in an electronic format.

So that attorneys and their support staff may become more familiar with the program, its uses, specific computer system requirements, and hear a discussion of our plans, the Court will be providing two ECF Fairs co-sponsored by the Tidewater Bankruptcy Bar Association and the Bankruptcy Section of the Richmond Bar Association. The first will be held on Wednesday, February 17 at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott and the second on Thursday, February 18 at the State Library of Virginia, Richmond. There is no registration fee or cost to attend. Below is the proposed agenda for these events. A registration form can be found on the back of this announcement as well as on the court's web site at: www.vaeb.uscourts.gov. Space may be limited, so sign up early. Registration will also be available on the day of the event.

II. PROPOSED AGENDA

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| 12:00-1:30 | Registration and ECF Bankruptcy Software Vendor Mini-Fair
Vendors who have requested table space: Bankruptcy 2000, Best Case Solutions, West/Specialty Software, EPI, Adobe, Digital Applications, and possibly Mathew Bender |
| 1:30-1:50 | Opening Comments
Norfolk - Honorable David Adams/Honorable Stephen St. John
Richmond - Honorable Douglas Tice, Jr./Honorable Blackwell Shelley
Introduction - Bill Blevins |
| 1:50-2:15 | ECF Demonstration - Andrea Redmon, ECF Case Administrator |
| 2:15-2:30 | Break - Refreshments to be provided by the Bar Association Co-Sponsors |
| 2:30-3:30 | Experienced Users' Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Honorable Stephen Mitchell (short video on views from the bench)- Robert Mayer, Esq. - Attorney and Panel Trustee |
| 3:30-4:00 | Adobe Acrobat Exchange Software - Greg Pisocky, Adobe Systems |
| 4:00-4:30 | Q&A Session/Pilot Partner Program |

III. REGISTRATION FORM

ELECTRONIC CASE FILING FAIR

Presented by the Eastern District of Virginia U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Co-Sponsors:

Tidewater Bankruptcy Bar Association

Bankruptcy Section of the Richmond Bar Association

Location and Dates

Norfolk/Wednesday, February 17, 1999

Norfolk Waterside Marriott

235 East Main Street

(757) 627-4200

Richmond/ Thursday, February 18, 1999

State Library of Virginia

800 East Broad Street

(804) 692-3500

Times:

12:00 - 1:30 Registration and Vendor Mini-Fairs

1:30 - 4:30 Program

I plan to attend at:

____ **Norfolk**/Wednesday, February 17, 1999 Number planning to attend: ____

____ **Richmond**/Thursday, February 18, 1999 Number planning to attend: ____

Name/Law Firm: _____

Street Address: _____

_____ Zip _____

Tel: _____

E-mail Address: _____

MAIL TO: ECF Fair Registration
United States Bankruptcy Court
1100 E. Main Street, Rm. 310
Richmond, VA 23219-3515

****OR****

Register on-line at www.vaeb.uscourts.gov